What is claimed is:

1. A method of controlling a washing machine, the method comprising steps of:

sensing a current level of water remaining in the washing machine;

discharging the remaining water from the washing machine if the sensed water level exceeds a predetermined substantive amount;

re-supplying water to the washing machine upon determining that said water discharging step has been completed; and

executing a washing step when a predetermined water level is reached by said water re-supplying step.

2. A method of controlling a washing machine, comprising steps of:

(a) sensing an initial level of water remaining in the washing machine;

(b) storing in a memory a value indicative of the sensed initial water level if the sensed initial water level exceeds a predetermined substantive amount and executing a first water supplying step;

(c) discharging the remaining water from the washing machine, executing a second water supplying step, and sensing a current water level if the sensed initial water level is less than the predetermined substantive amount;

(d) determining a water level variation based on the sensed current water level and the stored value;

(e) repeating said step (c) if the determined water level variation continues to be less than a predetermined value for a first predetermined time period;

(f) displaying an internal error if the determined water level variation continues to be

14 less than the predetermined value after a predetermined number of repetitions of said step (e);

15 and

16   (g) executing a user-selected washing step if the determined water level variation

17 exceeds the predetermined value.

1   3.   The method as claimed in claim 2, further comprising a step of executing the

2 user-selected washing step if the sensed current water level reaches a desired level.

1   4.   The method as claimed in claim 2, wherein the discharging of said step (c) is

2 achieved by draining the remaining water from the washing machine for a second

3 predetermined time period.

1   5.   The method as claimed in claim 4, wherein the second predetermined time

2 period is at least twenty seconds.

1   6.   The method as claimed in claim 2, wherein the first predetermined time

2 period is substantively five minutes.

1   7.   The method as claimed in claim 2, wherein the predetermined number of

2 repetitions is less than four.